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REPORT

SUBJECT 1. Ship Sightings in Swinoujscie and the Ruegen Area  
2. Soviet Tugboats in Stralsund

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SOURCE EVALUATIONS ARE DEFINITIVE. APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.

1. Three old East German HABICHT-class minesweepers were observed abreast of Sassnitz. The minesweepers sailed southeastward in "reverse wedge formation" and were towing paravanes. Three red parachute flares were fired. A gun platform was being erected on the quarter-deck of all three minesweepers. On two of the units this was painted in the same color as the ship, but the third one was painted the color of red lead. Shortly afterward a newer minesweeper of the KRAKE class, was observed. 25X1
2. The following naval vessels were observed in Swinoujscie (Swinemuende): 25X1
  - a. Three KRONSTADT-class submarine chasers, and nine T-301-class minesweepers, at the Destroyer Quay.
  - b. Ten MTB's in the MTB harbor.
  - c. Two Polish destroyers in Stettin Sound, bound for Szczecin (Stettin).
3. A large tanker was observed at the oil bunker in Swinoujscie.

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4. The following naval vessels were observed in Swinoujscie [redacted]  
[redacted]
- Ten MTB's in the MTB harbor and four MTB's ashore.
  - One minesweeper [redacted] and a LIBAU-class vessel, [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] at the Destroyer Quay.
5. The following naval vessels were observed in Swinoujscie [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted]
- Three RIGA-class escort vessels, [redacted]  
[redacted] and three minesweepers at the Destroyer Quay.
  - Tender [redacted] in the Shipyard Harbor.
6. One Soviet tugboat, flying the naval flag, and another tugboat with the hammer and sickle on the smokestack were observed in Stralsund [redacted] 25X1
7. [redacted] the pilot said that two large icebreakers and a helicopter reporting on ice condition were to arrive shortly in either Szczecin or Swinoujscie.
8. A photograph showing Tender [redacted] anchored at buoy 4 near the Swinoujscie West Channel [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted]
- Comments:
- [redacted] the Polish destroyers [redacted] were 25X1  
not at the Gryfia Shipyard.
  - The observation was made in darkness and under unfavorable conditions (fog).

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AUXILIARY VESSEL KURS [REDACTED] NEAR SWINOUJSCIE  
WEST CHANNEL. [REDACTED]

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